

COUNCIL OF STATES

Thursday, 4th March 1954

The Council met at two of the clock, MR. CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

THE RAJKUMARI SPORTS COACHING SCHEME

*172. KUMARI SHOILA BALA DAS: Will the Minister for EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any control in the selection of trainees for coaching under the Rajkumari Sports Coaching Scheme; and

(b) how many persons have so far been trained under this scheme, and how many of them are women?

THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (DR. K. L. SHRIMALI): (a) No.

(b) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

From 1st October 1953

Athletics . . . 70 Men } In a
4 Women } month.

From 1st November 1953

Hockey . . . 40 Men in a month.

Tennis . . . 60 Men } in a
9 Women } month.

From 1st December 1953

Table Tennis . 100 Men } In a
20 Girls } month.

From 1st December 1953

Cricket . . . 20 Men in a month.

ORDNANCE FACTORIES NOT PRODUCING CIVILIAN GOODS

*173. SHRI M. VALIULLA: Will the Minister for DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number, names and location of ordnance factories which are not manufacturing civilian goods; and

(b) the number of surplus persons, if any, in these factories?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR DEFENCE (SHRI SATISH CHANDRA):

(a) The Ordnance Factory, Wadala, is the only factory which is not at present engaged in the manufacture of civilian articles.

(b) Two workmen were surplus in this factory on 1st January 1954. They have since been absorbed in other ordnance factories.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: On the whole in the ordnance factories there are about 1,700 people who are surplus; is it not so, Sir?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: 2,541 workers were surplus in the ordnance factories on 1st January 1954 out of whom 234 have since been absorbed

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Are those factories that are manufacturing civilian goods preparing those articles taking the order from the civilian trade or also from other Ministries?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: From other Ministries of the Government of India, mainly from the Ministry of Railways; and also from civilian trade.

SHRI M. VALIULLA: Are they preparing industrial explosives, Sir?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: We are not manufacturing industrial explosives on a large scale. But I understand that there is a proposal to start a new factory under another Ministry.

SHRI S. N. MAZUMDAR: In view of the fact that a High-power Commission has been appointed to enquire into the possibilities of Defence industries, how can the hon. Deputy Minister definitely say that so many persons were found to be surplus?

SHRI SATISH CHANDRA: From the existing workload, there is at present no work for them and we are trying to absorb gradually as many as possible by securing more orders. The surplus was greater but many of them have been absorbed.